

## Town of North Stonington Board of Selectmen New Town Hall Conference Room May 9, 2008 8:00 AM

**Call to Order-**8:10 AM with Selectmen Ricker and Mullane present. Also present was Robin Roohr, Selectman's Secretary.

**Public Comments and Questions** 

## **New Business**

1. Call of Annual Town/Annual Budget Meeting-After a brief discussion and telcon with Town Attorney Frank Eppinger for an update and clarification with his conversations with the AG's office regarding the Seaport property purchase, conditions of item #6 were reworded, a motion was made by Selectman Mullane, seconded by Selectman Ricker to forward the following item to the annual town meeting call to be held on May 19, 2008, known as question #6.

"Shall the Town of North Stonington approve the purchase of the Mystic Seaport property located on Route 2 for the price of \$655,000 (\$647,890 purchase price and \$7,110 – first year maintenance costs) contingent upon the fulfillment of all the conditions of the real estate purchase and sales agreement?" Carrying. 2-0

2. Referendum Resolutions-After a brief review a motion was made by Selectman Mullane, seconded by Selectman Ricker to forward the following questions to a referendum vote to be held on May 27, 2008, carrying. 2-0

"Shall the Town of North Stonington approve the estimates and recommendations of the Board of Finance with respect to the annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, in the amount of \$5,938,323 for the General Government, including Redemption of Debt and Capital and make specific appropriations and authorize expenditures in, connection therewith as appear advisable?"

YES NO

"Shall the Town of North Stonington approve the estimates and recommendations of the Board of Finance with respect to the annual budget for fiscal year July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, in the amount of **\$11,902,560** for Board of Education, and make specific appropriations and authorize expenditures in, connection therewith as appear advisable?"

YES NO

"Shall the Town of North Stonington approve the purchase of the Mystic Seaport property located on Route 2 for the price of **\$655,000** (\$647,890 purchase price and \$7,110 – first year maintenance costs) contingent upon the fulfillment of all the conditions of the real estate purchase and sales agreement?"

YES NO

"Shall the Town of North Stonington approve a donation to the North Stonington Little League in the amount of \$300,000?"

YES NO

There were some additional questions raised because of inquiries and pricing to our insurance carrier and the risk on the dam and other questions raised regarding maintenance and upkeep after purchase that must be addressed.

There was a discussion on an email from Ted Bromley, Secretary of State's office on the procedure for "pulling" a question or candidate off the printed ballots. The Town is allowed to either blackout the question or disregard the vote on an unwanted question.

**Public Comments and Questions Adjournment-8**:55 AM